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We have always sustained our claim of being the largest dealers in Re-dry-made drawers in Canaan. But this year we have nearly doubled our stock. We offer one lot of about 400 pair of drawers in 5 different styles, plain, tucked, ruffled or lace trimmed in all sizes, either open or closed; quite a lot at 39c.

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### BOER APPEAL REJECTED

England Will Not Hear of Independence.

THE BRITISH AT BLOEMFONTEIN

French Holds Two Hills Commanding

the Town—Roberts' Heavy Artillery

Re-enforced—Free States Said

Practically to Have Abandoned War

London, March 14.—Great Britain will accept no offer of mediation, nor will she deal with the Boer republics through any third party. When the Boers have laid down their arms and surrendered, when the British flag floats over both capitals, then and not till then will terms of peace be discussed. This is the determination of her majesty's government, and it represents the feeling which pervades the entire empire.

Lord Salisbury's declaration yesterday sounded the death-knell of independence of the Transvaal and Orange Free State. Their future existence will be as colonies of the crown.

The appeal of Presidents Kruger and Steyn to the powers for intervention has fallen upon unheeding ears. From the capitals of Europe there is no response.

St. Petersburg and Rome are all of the same tenor. Every government realizes that England is determined to settle this question in her own way and time.

There is a marked difference, from a diplomatic standpoint, between interven-

tion and mediation. Intervention implies that one of the parties might perhaps break no interference, but that the intervention would take place despite this. No power whatever has displayed the slightest intention to intervene in any way. Berlin, Paris, Vienna and Rome have all notified their representatives in Pretoria that they cannot intervene.

Mediation Very Improbable.

As regards mediation, it is considered highly improbable that any of the European powers will take the initiative and put the question to Great Britain whether mediation is desired. The latter's government has replied that Germany would be ready to co-operate in any movement for mediation as soon as it became clear that both parties desired it.

News of Lord Roberts' entering Bloemfontein is now expected at any hour.

General French on Monday evening occupied two hills commanding the town, 2½ miles to the south of it. He met opposition and was apparently unable to capture the railway station, which it was important to take into account of the rolling stock found there.

Lord Roberts followed General French with the Third Cavalry brigade and mounted infantry, and the rest of the army was marching on Bloemfontein yesterday, so that apparently the commander-in-chief is only waiting for the infantry to arrive before moving into the Free State capital.

The seizure of the railway will isolate the Boer detachments still in the district, and the rest of the army will have no further attempt to contest the entrance into Bloemfontein, but will go off to the northeast to protect the line to the Transvaal.

It was rumored yesterday that Mafeking had been relieved, but up to a late hour last night the war office was without any information confirming the report. The probability is that the town is no longer severely beleaguered.

Marking Living on Horse Fodder.

Some reports point the condition of the garrison and inhabitants in dismal colors. They are said to be subsisting on horse-flesh and human excrement, and are suffering from typhoid fever and diphtheria epidemic.

The defenders were holding out on March 6 and had defeated a Boer attack a few days before.

On the passages of the Orange river at Norval's pont and Bethulie bridge have not yet been taken, but any day may bring news that the Boers have been watching the broken bridges have been re-treated.

A reconnaissance by General Clements is expected as a prelude to a turning movement.

From Ladysmith it is reported that the main body of the Boer Natal army is holding Bignewine, and the rest of the army is at the foot of the Drakensberg.

Mr. George Wyndham, parliamentary secretary of the war office, announced in the house of commons last evening that when the Eighth Boer army was defeated at the battle of Tlokoeng, there were a total of 208,000 troops there. After this division arrived no more troops would be sent except to fill vacancies. Mr. Wyndham added that 12,000 men had been sent to the British forces and that 8,000 more were now on the way to South Africa.

**Bloody Battle in Kentucky.**

Augusta, Ky., March 14.—Forest Hill, ten miles from here, was the scene of a bloody battle last night. An entertainment was being given at the Forest Hill schoolhouse, and a large crowd was present. Harvey Moran and his sons Harvey and Hurly engaged in a fight with the Hamilton brothers, Strander, Cass and Carlie. Hurly Moran was killed outright and his brother Harvey beaten nearly to death. Two of the Hamiltons were shot, one fatally.

**Another Strike in Porto Rico.**

San Juan, Porto Rico, March 14.—Another strike had begun among the workmen on the military road in the Arco division of Porto Rico. Hundreds of the men have been paid 40 cents a day, and they want 50 cents. Six hundred left work and thus far they have been orderly, but they are not organized. The contractors declare that they will make no concessions, as there is plenty of work available to fill the places of the strikers.

**Thomas K. Beecher Paralyzed.**

Elmira, N. Y., March 14.—Rev. Thomas K. Beecher, pastor of Park church for the past 12 years, was stricken with paralysis Sunday night on his return home from evening service. His recovery is considered doubtful. He is a brother of Henry Ward Beecher, and of Horatio Beecher, Stowe, author of "Uncle Tom's Cabin."

### THE SHELTON DAILY.

Adverse Comments on Philippine War in Today's Issue.

Topeka, March 14.—The leading story on the first page of the Rev. Charles M. Sheldon's Christian daily this morning is a brief statement by Associate Editor Chase telling of the prompt response made in yesterday morning's paper in behalf of famine-stricken India. The Christian Endeavor World of Boston telegraphed Mr. Sheldon urging him to open a fund, but he says he is too busy to attend to the work and suggests that contributions be sent through regular channels.

Governor Stanley writes a column article on the most gratifying feature of his administration, which, he says, is the progress prison reform has made in the state. He says that the future will be an anti-war cartoon by Beard, and in this connection General Otis' latest list of casualties in Luzon will be run, with comments by Editor Sheldon.

A leading article on the local page is a statement from the Kansas Millers' association protesting against alleged unjust treatment of which they receive at the hands of the railroad.

On the telephone page much is of the war, and Editor Sheldon comments freely on the situation.

There is a long special from Grinnell, Ia., telling of the resignation of President Gates of Iowa college and giving his reasons for leaving.

The editorial leader is headed, "What Can We Do to Make This a Better City?" It advocates nonpartisan politics and urges a higher standard of righteousness among officials and people.

**A Hard Working Bachelor.**

New Haven, March 14.—Frederick N. Davis, 24 years old, living with his wife and two small children at 231 Shelton street, was arrested last yesterday by Detective Donnelly, charged with burglary.

Davis is held on 20 charges of burglary extending from October, 1898, to the present time. He has been charged with stealing a watch, a bicycle, a pair of shoes, and a pair of trousers. He was placed under \$3,000 bonds.

The detective has had the young man under suspicion since the first date given, but until within a few days was unable to secure sufficient evidence to warrant an arrest. The man was a conductor on the Fairhaven and Westville line of trolley cars to East Haven and has been arrested on several occasions.

Consequently the burglaries were committed either at night after he finished work or on Sundays. The goods stolen include phonographs, bicycles, diamonds, watches, paintings, statuary, revolvers and money.

**New Jersey Township Elections.**

New York, March 14.—Borough elections were held throughout New Jersey yesterday. There was a fair turnout of voters.

In Rutherford, where the vote was light, the Republican ticket won, and in East Rutherford the Republican ticket won, and in East Rutherford the Republican ticket won.

The Democrats gained a victory at South Orange and at Scotch Plains, and in the latter place the Democrats elected their candidate in Union township, while the Democrats elected their candidate in Ocean township, of which Long Branch is a part. The borough election in North Plainfield resulted in a Republican victory. One Democrat was elected.

**Havana Telephone Company.**

Trenton, March 14.—The companies have been incorporated here. The Havana Telephone company, capital \$500,000, to operate a telephone and telegraph line in Cuba; the capital stock is all paid up and with the exception of three shares is owned by Edgar Park of New York; the incorporators are Edmund G. Vaughn of New York, William J. R. Patterson of New York and Frank B. Priest of East Orange.

The Cante River company, capital \$1,000,000, to operate electric lights, heat and power and gas plants in the West Indies; the incorporators are Edwin M. Post of New York, Percival Farquhar of New York and G. L. Bragg, Jr., of Coatesville, N. J.

**Brooklynite Suicide in Manila.**